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DX News

3X3A Rouse Island AF-051 by Elvira IV3FSG

Not every day on Rouse Island is filled with frenetic pileups. Today, propagation decided to put me to the test: silent bands, signals fading into QSB, and background noise that seems to give no respite.

Operating from Guinea in these conditions requires infinite patience. I spend hours with headphones trying to extract signals that are just above the noise level. It's tiring, at times frustrating, but that's precisely the challenge of the true DXer. <https://www.dx-world.net/3x3a-republic-of-guinea/>



8R/PZ5TW Guyana -now QRT by Ren PY8WW

The 8R/PZ5TW DXpedition, operated from Corriverton, Guyana, has now been successfully completed. During the activity, nearly 19,000 QSOs were made with stations worldwide across multiple bands and modes. All QSOs have already been uploaded to the Logbook of The World (LoTW) for confirmation. Many thanks to all stations for the contacts and support.

3G0Z and XR0Z Juan Fernandez Islands -update by XQ7IR

Finally more cargo than expected is ready to be shipped to Robinson Crusoe Island. That's because I've added some monoband yagi antennas and a dual-band cubical quad antenna for 12 & 17m, along with a long list of radio gear.

Everything is prepared to be sent to the city port of Valparaíso where it will be loaded for transport to the island.

"It's better to be well prepared and pay extra cargo for overweight", don't you think?

KH0/KC0W Mariana Islands -update by Tom KC0W

I'm currently in China and just found out from my neighbor that all my towers, Yagi's & verticals were completely destroyed by Super Typhoon Sinlaku today. Antennas and towers don't like 230+ km/h winds very much. Sounds like my radios & amplifiers are water damaged as well. I won't know until I return to Saipan how bad things are. Saipan airport is currently closed so I might be spending longer in China than I had planned.

I will rebuild with even bigger Yagi's in the near future. It will probably take 4-6 months for **KH0/KC0W** & **KHOW** to once again have a competitive signals on the bands. In the meantime I will concentrate on operating POTA from Saipan's numerous parks.

TX9W Marquesas Islands -update

Four days until departure. We estimate extra baggage charges for the two airlines in excess of \$13,000 USD. Any help from the DX community is appreciated (website below). Hope to be QRV from Hiva Oa, Marquesas Islands on 19 April.

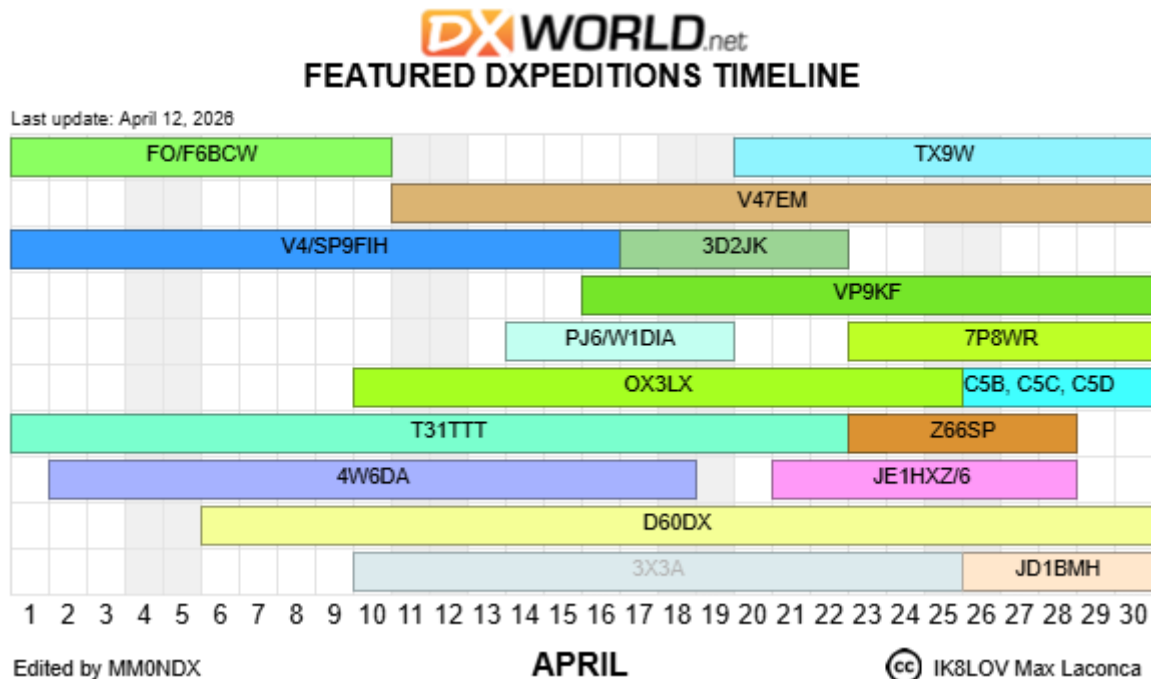


9T0MD Democratic Republic of Congo -update

NCDXF is pleased to announce a grant to the 9T0MD DXpedition to the Democratic Republic of the Congo later this year. This is a team that has successfully completed many DXpeditions and plans are ready for success once again. They plan to favor cw and phone modes and will for the first time be on satellite and EME.



DXCC timeline



DXCC

This week on air

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Suvarna, VU3OPT is operating as 3B9N until May 20. Operation from 20 to 10 metres from grid MH10qh. <https://www.9n7ga.com>

4W, TIMOR-LESTE Darren, VK4MAP is QRV as 4W6DA until April 18. A side trip to OC-232 is also planned. Operation mainly on 10 metre SSB with some 80, 40, 20, 15 and 12 metres also. QSL via home call.

8R, GUYANA Aldir, PY1SAD is again operating as 8R1TM from Georgetown until May 10. QRV on all bands and 6 metre using CW, SSB, digi and SAT. QSL via LoTW or home call direct.

D6, COMOROS Ivan, UR9IDX is operating as D60DX until begin May. Activity on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via his CT9 adress.

FO, MARQUESAS ISL A team of 6 operators (K5WE, W5CCP, N5TEA, K4VBM, WD5COV and F6BCW) will be active as TX9W from April 19 until April 30. Activity with 6 stations from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. Depending upon a reliable internet connection, logs will be uploaded to Club Log daily and Club Log Livestream will be active. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW shortly after returning home. <https://k5we.com/tx9w/>

FY, FRENCH GUIANA Ronan, F4LJA will be active as FY/call from April 20 until June 5. Operation on HF using mainly FT8. <https://www.qrz.com/db/F4LJA>

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN Robert PA2RDK, Frank PA3CNO, Bart PA3HEA, Gert PE0MGB and Wim PE1PWR are active as HB0/calls until April 18. Operation from 80 to 10 metres. QSL via PE1FLO, LoTW.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ is once again active as call/JD1 until mid-May during his spare time. Mostly using CW and FT8. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

JW, SVALBARD Geir LB4VE, Stein LA8JKA, Nils LA7HNA, Andreas LA7IPA and Frank LB0NJ will be QRV as JW5E during April 21-24. Activity from 80 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via OQRS Club Log.

PJ6, SABA David W1DIA is QRV as PJ6/call until April 19. Operation from various POTA and SOTA locations running QRP. QSL via LoTW.

T31, KANTON ISL Look for T31TTT, see full details <https://www.dx-world.net/t31ttt-kanton-island/>

TG, GUATEMALA Steve, K4IM is operating as TG9AWS until April 20. QSL via N2OO, LoTW.

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC Joao, CR7BNW is operating as TL8BNW until June. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using SSB and FT8 with a dipole.

V4, ST KITTS Pete, G0TLE is active as V47EEM until May 1. Activity from 80 to 10 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, OQRS, LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS Janusz, SP9FIH is QRV as V4/call until April 18. Operation from 30 to 6 metres using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via OQRS, LoTW.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING Mark, VK6BSA and Deena, VK6DEE are now based on Cocos (Keeling) Islands for a work assignment until May, possibly longer. During free time they will QRV as VK9BSA and VK9DEE on most bands using a FTDX-10 & amplifier.

On the scene...CE0Y/DJ4EL -now QRT



VP9, BERMUDA Paul, G4BKI is operating as VP9KF until April 30 from Baileys Bay. Operation from 160 to 10 metres using CW. More on www.vp9kf.com

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN Just received word via Diya's QSL manager (OM3JW) that Z81D will be on air again during free time and weekends. Diya has a new work contract and will be in Juba, South Sudan for the next six months.

Coming up soon

7P, LESOTHO Paolo IZ0EVI, Diego IZ0EWJ and Luca IZ6DSQ will be operating as 7P8WR from April 23 until May 1. Operation from 40 to 10 metres using SSB and FT8. QSL via IZ0AWJ, more to follow.

C5, THE GAMBIA Arnaud F4AGG and Luc F5RAV will be active as C5B, C5C and C5D between April 25 and May 8. C5B from Bijolo AF-06 with SAT activity, C5C using CW and SSB and C5D from the mainland using RTTY, PSK and FT8. QSL via F5RAV direct, LoTW.

JD1, OGASAWARA Harry, JG7PSJ will once again be operating as JD1BMH from April 26 until May 4. Operation from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and RTTY.

JT, MONGOLIA Vladimir R9LR and Denis R8LCM will be QRV as JT0LR from rare grids NN49, NN48, NN58 and perhaps NN59. Activity between April 25 and April 30 on various bands using CW, SSB and digi. Satellite QO-100 also. QSL via R9LR.

Z6, KOSOVO Z66SP is going to be a Polish DXpedition to Kosovo during April 23-28. QTH: Grashtice, near Pristina, Republic of Kosovo. Activity from 160 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via SP2ZIE. <https://z66sp.spdxc.org/>

IOTA

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-051 Roume Isl Elvira IV3FSG is active as 3X3A until April 25. Operation from 80 to 10 metres (and 6m) using CW, SSB and FT2/4/8. The DXpedition is self-funded: any support is greatly appreciated. Click here to support the DXpedition: www.iv3fsg.it

AF-095 Mondoleh Isl Darek TJ1GD/P is active from Mondoleh Island, AF-095 (rare IOTA). Primarily this activation is a tribute to the Polish explorer **Stefan Szolc-Rogoziński** who established a research station there in 1883. To honor his legacy, Darek aims to be active from Mondoleh Island every April in the coming years. <https://www.qrz.com/db/TJ1GD/P>



ASIA

AS-049 Kuchino Isl Mitsuru JE1HXZ will be operating as call/6 from April 21 until April 28. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. See QRZ.com for more.

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JI3DST is active again as JS6RRR until April 17. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. Take is also using JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6, JI3DST/P and JJ5RBH/P. QSO's are uploaded to Club Log and LoTW.

EUROPE

EU-010 Isle of Lewis Kev M0KVK, Marcin M0GLV and Nick G0VQO are QRV as GB00H until April 17. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using mostly FT8 with some SSB. QSL via QRZ.com.

EU-028 Giglio Isl The Verona DX Team is operating as IQ3VO/IA5 until April 17. Activity with 2 stations from 40 to 17 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IQ3VO.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-134 Aasiaat Isl Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again active as OX3LX until April 25. Operation during his spare time from grid GP38NQ. QSL via OZ0J.

OCEANIA

OC-095 Lakeba Isl Jacek, SP5APW will conduct a solo Dxpedition as 3D2JK between April 17 and April 22. QRV on the higher bands and 6 metre using primarily FT8. Lakeba Island is the rarest IOTA reference in Fiji belonging to the top 10% of the world-wide most wanted references.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

C9, MOZAMBIQUE The Czech Dxpediton group will be QRV as C8K between November 10 and November 19. Active from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi with several stations. Satellite QO-100 also. Club Log livestream, QSL via OQRS or via OK6DJ. <https://www.cdxp.cz/>

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Matt, W2MJR will be operating as FP/call from October 21 until October 26. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included with an activity from POTA PM-0025. QSL via LoTW. <https://www.qrz.com/db/FP/W2MJR>

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Col MM0NDX and Steve MM0SAJ will once again QRV as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ sometime 2026. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus on low bands in their evenings. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).

3Y0, PETER 1 ISL The 3Y0L Dxpediton is scheduled for February 2027. A team with 19 operators will spend approximately 20 days in the vicinity of the island. <https://3y0l.com/#Peter-I-DXpediton>

4K, AZERBAIJAN Jan, DL4XT will be back as 4K/DL4XT this summer for 2 weeks. More to follow. [Youth Contest Team](#)

5H, TANZANIA Kasimir, DL2SBY will again be operating as 5H1KB between June 3 and June 12. Focus on 6 metres during his trip. QSL via home call and LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA Chas, NK8O will once again be operating as 5H3DX between June 8 and July 2. Operation from 30 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via NK8O, LoTW or OQRS.

9N, NEPAL Jan, DL4XT mentions: *'Activity planned in summer 2026! This is my biggest DXpediton planned so far. I got a verbal agreement on the callsign 9N7XT, but this isn't confirmed yet, so it might still change.'* Operation from 160 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with a FT-891 100W. <https://yct.janlabs.de/dx/nepal2026>

9Q, D.R. of CONGO The Mediterranean DX Club will be active as 9T0MD between September 30 and October 11. The 9T prefix has never been used before. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and digi. Also on QO-100 and EME. More to follow.

On the scene...8R/PZ5TW Guyana -now QRT by Ren PY8WW



9Y, TRINIDAD Look for 9Y4I during the ARRL 160 Meter CW Contest. Caribbean Top Band CW signals are limited — listen carefully for 9Y4I during peak low-band windows.

A3, TONGA Takio, JH3QFL will be operating from Nuku'alofa as A31AA between May 13 and May 22. QRV from 80 to 6 metres using FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

C6, BAHAMAS Eric, K9GY will be operating as C6AYM between August 5-10. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW. An entry in the WAE CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

C8, MOZAMBIQUE The Czech DX Team will be active as C8K during September/October 2026. Operation from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100, RS-44, IO-117 using CW, SSB and digi. Club Log live stream if possible. QSL via OK6DJ OQRS, LoTW. Antennas: 6m 5el. YAGI, 10m 4el. Yagi, 10-15-20 incl WARC 3 x Spiderbeam, 17/15/12m 2el. YAGI, 2x 30m phased verticals, 2x40m phased verticals, 80m vertical + 10 pcs radials, 160 vertical +10pcs radials RX: 3x Beverage + RX vertical Focus on low bands.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ Felipe, XQ7IR will be operating as 3G0Z for about 3 weeks in May. Operation from 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on the low bands. QSL via M0URX OQRS. <https://www.robinsoncrusoe2026.net/>

E5, COOK ISL Tom K7TLM and Leslie KD7YZE will once again be operating as E51TLM during May 4-9. Working conditions: IC-705 running 5 Watts to a horizontal 10 Meter end-fed half-wave wire antenna at 16 feet high just above sea level. SSB at 28.385 MHz, QRSS CW at 28.060 MHz. Look for them approx 1900 to 0100 UTC. While there they will visit Jim, E51JD.

Guess the QSL



E5, COOK ISL Steve ZL2KE and Steve ZL4CZ will once again be active as E51CZZ and E51KEE between July 22 and August 14 for E51KEE (CW, SSB) and E51CZZ (SSB) between July 26 and August 6. QRV from Rarotonga. QSL via IK2DUW.

E6, NIUE Gavin, ZL3GAV will be active as E6SP during July. Operation on HF using CW, SSB, SSTV, digi and Satellite. More to follow.

E6, NIUE Tom, KC0W will be operating as E6CW sometime 2026. Operation from 40 to 6 metres using CW only. More to follow.

FG, GUADELOUPE Ronan, F4LJA will be QRV as FG/call from June 6 until June 12. Operation on HF using mainly FT8. <https://www.grz.com/db/F4LJA>

FM, MARTINIQUE Darrell, AB2E will be operating as TO3E between May 26 and June 2. An entry in the CQWPX CW contest is included. Before and after the contest he will focus on WARC and low bands using mostly CW with some FT8 and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or direct via home call.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA Didier, F6BCW will once again be active from Tikehau Atoll, Tuamotu as FO/F6BCW from early May to mid-July. QRV on 80-6m; CW, SSB; amplifier, VDA and vertical antennas. QSL via LoTW

FO, MARQUESAS ISL Chunkhi, VA7YM will be on a circumnavigation trip and the first stop is Marquesas. Operation as FO/call sometime July. More on QRZ.com.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again (18th tour) be active as FP/call, this for the 18th time. Activity between June 27 and July 13 with an entry in the IARU HF Contest.
[FP/KV1J July 2026](#)

H44, SOLOMON ISL A team with 9A2NA, 9A3MR, 9A3CJY, 9A4WY, 9A7Y and DK8ZZ will be active from Guadalcanal as H49A between October 9 and October 21. Operation on HF and perhaps 6 metres. *'H49A callsign has been issued for our expedition, honoring 15 years of charity work of Croatian Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul in Buma, Malaita Island, OC-047. Our special callsign itself symbolises ties between Solomon islands and Croatia. Part of ham donations for the expedition will be redirected to charity work in the mission.'*

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN Kasimir, DL2SBY will once again be active as HB0/call from May 25 until May 31. Operation on HF with a focus on 6 metres. *'This activity is intended to test and fine-tune all my devices, laptops, and antennas for my activities from Zanzibar and the Seychelles.'* QSL via LoTW / homecall (direct).

HK0, MALPELO Last active in 2012 (by **HK0NA** who still maintain the 2nd highest ever QSO count for a Dxpedition), the Colombian League of Radio Amateurs (HK3LR) and its Board of Directors has announced its main goal – to stage a Dxpedition to Malpelo island, SA-007. It is hoped for a February 2026 activity, but this is not yet confirmed. Stay tuned for more info in the coming weeks..

QSL preview



PJ2, CURACAO Frank, PH2M will again be active as PJ2/PH2M during June 12-29. QRV holiday-style on 60-6m, mainly FT8, some SSB. QSL via buro, direct, LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE Chris, WA7RAR will be active as PJ4CB during his spare time between May 27 and June 8. Look for Chris from 20 to 10 meter using SSB and CW. Perhaps 10 metre FM simplex depending conditions. QSL via home call direct only.

R1/F, FRANZ JOSEF LAND After two years of planning the RUDXT are proud to announce a DXpedition to the northern-most DXCC in the world – Franz Josef Land. Team of 6 operators will be active from Heiss island (FJL) during 15 days in late August-early September 2026.
<https://www.rudxt.org/r1fjl>

S7, SEYCHELLES Kasimir, DL2SBY will again be QRV as S79/call during September 11-21. Operation from 80 to 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via homecall or LoTW.

S9, SAO TOME Francisco, CT7AKS will be active as S9R between October 17 and October 31. More to follow.

T8, PALAU A team with Masu JA3AVO, Mune JI3DNN, Kuni JA1CJA, Jusei JA3IVU and Shozo JA3HJI plan (tentatively) activity from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during October 21-29, 206. QRV on various bands and modes as: T88MB (JA3AVO), T88CZ (JI3DNN), T88DK (JA1CJA), T88ED (JA3IVU) and as T88DN (JA3HJI).

T8, PALAU Yas, JA6UBY will be operating as T88RR from June 10 until June 18, 2026. Activity from 160 to 6 metres using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or home call.

T8, PALAU Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB during June 19-22, 2026. An entry in the All Asian DX CW contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

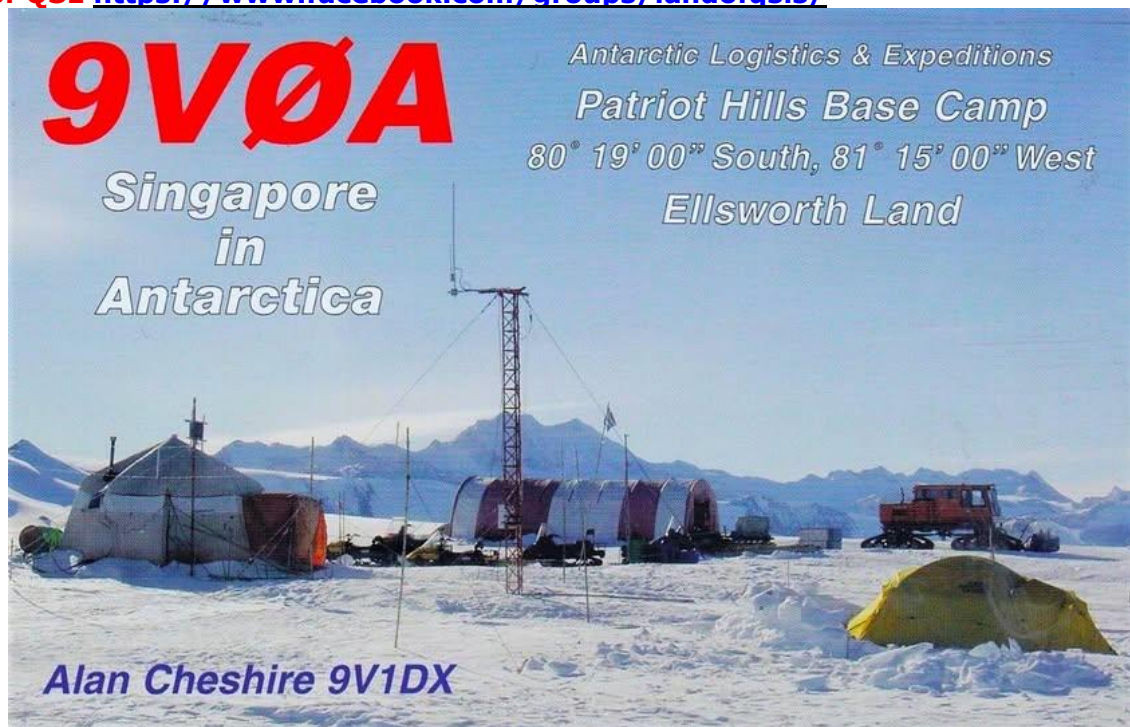
V4, ST KITTS Markus, WW6W will be back as V4/call between May 24 and June 1, 2026. An entry in the CQWW WPX CW contest is included. QSL via home call, LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS Roger, EI8KN will be operating as V49B from Basseterre between May 13-21. QRV in 'holiday-style' on HF. QSL via LoTW, OQRS or direct via home call.

V5, NAMIBIA Eric, V5/N7XOB is travelling for a month (mid-May to mid-June) and will be active from various locations and grids. QSL via LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA Hanspeter, HB9BFM will be QRV as V5/call during August 26 to September 20, 2026. QRV from different locations between 16-19 UTC in Olivia 8/250 at 14072.000kHz.

Land of QSL <https://www.facebook.com/groups/landofqsls/>



VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS Nobby, G0JVG will be operating as VP5G during June 17-30. Operation on HF and 6 metres using CW, SSB and FT4/8. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via M0OXO.

VP8, SOUTH GEORGIA ISLAND Amateur Radio DXpeditions (ARDX) is proud to announce plans for a groundbreaking DXpedition to South Georgia Island, set to take place in March 2027.

Operating under the allocated callsign VP0SG, this ambitious activation will target one of the rarest and most logistically challenging DXCC entities, well ranked on top of the Club Log's Most Wanted List, with particularly high demand in some areas of the world.

<https://www.ardxpeditons.com/dxpeditons/vp0sg>

VP9, BERMUDA Paul, VP9KF will be active from Baileys Bay with only a focus on JA and Far East on all bands. QSL via home call. <https://vp9kf.com/>

VU4, ANDAMAN ISL The World DXpedition team will be operating during November 2027 from 3 POTA locations. A team with 11 operators Dave WJ2O, K1NZ Nick Maslon; K2SAV, William "Savo" Savacool; K1ZM, Jeff Briggs; N1QV, Miriam Briggs; W0ZB, Steve Keithahn; K3PT, Kyle Snavelly; KD0IVB, Emily Snavelly; K1LZ, Krassy Petkov; VU2RS, Sarath Rayaprollu; and N4VGE, Van Herridge Organizer. Team support members are XYL Judi Savacool and XYL Vicki Herridge is QRV with 5 stations 24/7. [Andaman - World DXpeditions](#)

ZK3, TOKELAU The Perseverance DX Group will be QRV from Tokelau. The permission for entering the island is already OK. Plan is to be active in November 2026. Team members include: Rob N7QT, Gene K5GS, Steve W1SRD, Glenn KE4KY, Dave K3EL, Dave WD5COV, Robin WA7CPA, Brian N9ADG, Jackie ZL3CW, Francesco IK0FVC, Laci HA0NAR, Violetta KN2P and Jack N7JP. More to follow.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Look for ZL3IO as ZL7IO from May 25 until June 4. An entry in the CQWW WPX CW contest is included.

IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

EUROPE

EU-120 Isle of Wight A Belgian team (ON1BN, ON4AML, ON5SEL, ON6EF, ON6VJ, ON7TA, ON7VM and ON9DJ) will be active as GB9IOW from April 28 until May 5. QRV on HF and 6 metres using SSB, CW and digital modes, also on QO-100 and 23 cm moon- bounce. QSL via ON6EF.

<https://hamradioexpedition.com/>

QSL preview



THE REMINDERS

ASIA

Arctic Legends Dxpedition

AS-050 Isachenko Isl July 23-26 as RI0BI

AS-055 Vize Isl July 12-16 as RI0BW

AS-057 Ugedineniya Isl July 18-21 as RI0BU

EU-160 Chaichiy Isl July 4-7 as RI1PC

A team with UA9KDF, R3CN, RA8CV, UA6EX, UA1QV and R8KAM will be operating from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via OQRS Club Log, LoTW. <https://www.rt9k-club.ru/en/index.html#hero>

AS-127 Kutubdia Isl Look for team S21DX sometime during November 2026. They plan to operate for at least 18 hours a day depending generator and the number of team members. Team for now is S21YLJ, S21AM, S21RC, S21FIA and S21RED. Activity from 160 to 10 metres using SSB, FT8 and QO-100. QSL via EB7DX, LoTW.

AS-169 Arnala Isl The AU2M operation from Arnala Island (cancelled last year) has been rescheduled for May 1-3. This IOTA group was activated back 2004 and 2006, and has been silent ever since. More information is expected in due course.

EUROPE

EU-104 Sanguinaires Isl Antoine F5RAB and Gil F4FET will be QRV as TK5SI during July 20-21. This will be a micro-expedition for 2 days during daytime. QSL via F8GGV, LoTW and Club Log.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-178 California State Centre (Sonoma to Santa Cruz County) group

NA-187 California State Centre (Monterey / San Luis Obispo County) group

Rick, K6VVA has plans to activate these islands sometime in the 3rd quarter of 2026. More to follow.

NA-249 Vieques Isl A team will be active as KP3RE sometime February 2027. More to follow.

OCEANIA

OC-066 Rangiroa Atoll Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX9XG (dates to follow). Activity from 40 to 10 metres using CW, SSB and digi with an IC-7300MK2 and multiband antennas. QSL via home call, OQRS.

OC-165 Talang-Talang Besar A large team with 12 operators will be active as 9M8T sometime April/May 2026. More to follow.

SOUTH AMERICA

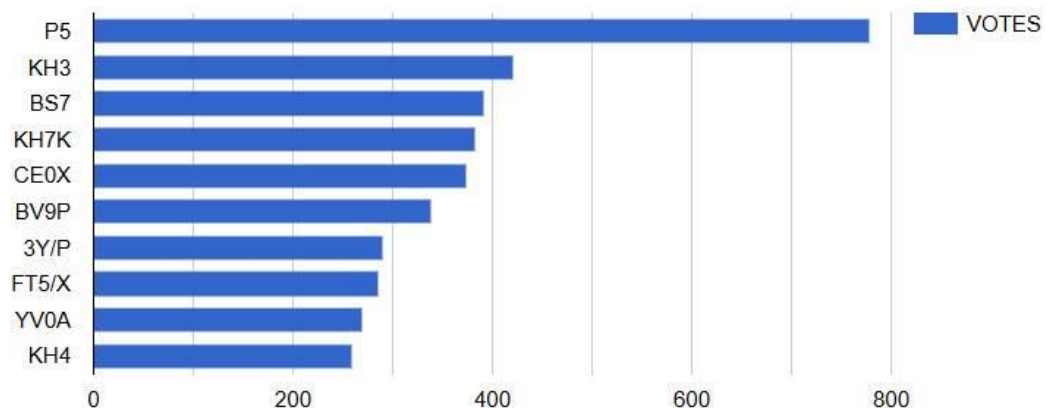
SA-019 Abrolhos Isl Renato, PY8WW informs: *we are currently coordinating with the Brazilian Navy, there is a strong possibility that a Brazilian team will be active from Abrolhos Island, SA-019, later this year, possibly in November. More details regarding callsigns, bands, and modes will be shared as soon as the plans are finalized. Stay tuned for updates, and we hope to work many of you from this beautiful IOTA location!*

SA-093 Tutumate Isl Renato, PY8WW will be operating as HK4/call on May 9-15. "CW and SSB remain my main focus", he says, with FT8 as "just a tool for those difficult moments when propagation doesn't cooperate". More information is expected in due course. This IOTA group was activated only once, by HK3JJH/4 back in 2002.

We recently ran a quick survey to see which DXCC entity / entities – regardless of mode – you still need. It could be you needed 1 or 10 of the current top 10 most wanted DXCC as per Club Log global data. The poll has now ended, and with nearly 4000 votes in total, here is the final table showing most wanted DXCC entities you need.

<https://www.dx-world.net/which-atno-do-you-still-need/>

ATNO CHART



Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

DL, GERMANY The special event station **DA100LENZ** (special DOK SL100) celebrates the 100th anniversary of the German author Siegfried Lenz until the end of August. QSLs will be sent out automatically via the bureau. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE **TM101WARD** is the special callsign for the Reseau des Emetteurs Francais (REF) to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day between 14 and 20 April. WARD is observed annually on 18 April, the day when the IARU was formed in Paris 101 years ago. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA **OE26M** is the special callsign for the Club Amateur Radio ORF (CARO) in cooperation with Dokumentationsarchiv Funk (Dokufunk) to participate in this year's International Marconi Day (25 April). Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW, FT8/FT4. QSL via OE1XRW. (TNX 425DX)

OZ, DENMARK In celebration of World Amateur Radio Day, a number of Danish stations will be signing **5P0WARD/xx** and **5P0WHD/xx** with different suffix extensions on 18 April. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW, or via OZ1ACB. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/5p0ward> for information about the award programme. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Look for **PA40AC**, the historical minesweeper Hr.MS. Abraham Crijnssen during the Museum Ship Weekend 2026 on June 6-7. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and FT8.

VE, CANADA Radio Amateurs of Canada is once again holding a "Get on the Air on World Amateur Radio Day" special event in which it encourages as many amateurs as possible to contact as many RAC stations as possible. Operating across Canada from 00.00 UTC to 23.59 UTC on 18 April, the RAC official stations will be **VA2RAC, VA3RAC, VE1RAC, VE3RHQ, VE4RAC, VE5RAC, VE6RAC, VE7RAC, VE8RAC, VE9RAC, VO1RAC, VO2RAC, VY0RAC, VY1RAC** and **VY2RAC**. QSL via LoTW or via the bureau. Contact one or more RAC stations, on any band and mode, to earn a commemorative certificate: <https://www.rac.ca/certificate-generator> (TNX 425DX)

YO, ROMANIA **YP1ZMR** is the special callsign for the Federatia Romana de Radioamatorism (FRR) to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day between 16 and 30 April. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/YP1ZMR> for information about the award programme. (TNX 425DX)

ZL, NEW ZEALAND **ZL100AA** is the special callsign celebrating the centenary of the Auckland Amateur Radio Club (ZL1AA), which was formed alongside and as a branch to the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) (TNX 425DX)

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THE REMINDERS

9A, CROATIA Throughout 2026, Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A69AA** to mark his 69 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA 9A10SOTA is the special callsign celebrating ten years of SOTA Croatia. Look for activity until 30 September 2026. A certificate will be available for contacts made between 1 October and 31 December 2025, see <https://9aff.wordpress.com/> for information. QSL via LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA To celebrate their 15th anniversary, members of the Croatian Flora Fauna ARC (9A1WFF) are active as **9A44FF** and **9A44FF/p** until end 2026. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/9A44FF> for information about the Anniversary Award. (TNX 425DX)

CT, PORTUGAL The Rede dos Emissores Portugueses (REP) has announced an activity open to its members across Portugal during 2026. Using the special callsign **CT100REP** (including /p or /m), this year-long collective activity celebrates the 100th anniversary of the founding of the REP, Portugal's IARU society. Operation is planned across various HF, VHF, and UHF bands using multiple modes (SSB, CW, Digital) and satellites. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DA26WARD is the special callsign for the DARC Team SES to promote World Amateur Radio Day between 1 March and 30 April. QSL via LoTW, DK5ON, and DCL (DARC Community Logbook). WARD is celebrated annually on 18 April, the day when the IARU was formed in 1925. The theme for this year's WARD is "Advancing the Spirit of Amateur Radio Through Innovation. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating a half-century of German research in Antarctica, special callsigns **DA0ANT**, **DM50ANT** and **DP50ANT** will be active from 15 February to 30 April. In addition, active on 1-30 April will also be **DM50GFS** (for the 50th anniversary of the Georg Forster Station, established by the GDR in 1976 and decommissioned in 1993), as well as **DP200GVN** (for the bicentenary of the birth of Georg von Neumayer, after whom three German Antarctic research stations have been named). See <https://50ant.hamaward.de/en/german-antarctic-research/> for complete information on the "50 Years of German Antarctic Research" award. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY During 2026, the following special event stations celebrate 100 years of the German aviation company Lufthansa: **DA100LH**, **DL100LH** and **DK100LH** (special DOK 100DLH). QSL via DK5ON (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The special event stations **DA100TV** and **DL100TV** (special DOK 100TV) celebrate 10 years of television in Germany during 2026. QSL via DK5ON (d/B). (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The special callsign **DB100FT** will be active throughout 2026 to celebrate the centenary of the Berlin Radio Tower (Funkturn), one of the city's most iconic landmarks. The 150-metre-high steel lattice tower occupies a prominent place in the history of radio broadcasting in Germany, as it was used to broadcast transmissions starting in 1926. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DARC Team SES will be active as **DL25WIKI** throughout 2026. The special callsign celebrates the 25th anniversary of Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, founded in January 2001: "the station reflects the spirit of free knowledge and international collaboration within the amateur radio community. Wikipedia and amateur radio share common values: openness, education, technical enthusiasm, and world-wide networking". QSL cards will be sent automatically via the bureau; QSOs will also be uploaded to LoTW and the DCL (DARC Community Logbook) (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DQ30GDXF is the special callsign celebrating the 30th anniversary of the German DX Foundation (<https://www.gdxf.de/>) during 2026. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY DM50GFS (special DOK 50GFS) commemorates the opening of the first German Antarctic station (Georg Forster) by the German Democratic Republic (GDR) in 1976. QRV from April to the end of July on HF, VHF and via QO-100. QSL via DK5ON (d/B), DCL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY DA200GVN (special DOK 200GVN) celebrates the 200th anniversary of the polar explorer Georg von Neumayer from April until the end of July on HF, VHF and via QO-100. QSL via DK5ON (d/B), DCL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

EA, SPAIN AO750SJ is a special event station celebrating the 750th anniversary of Saint George patron saint of the city of Alcoy. Look for activity on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes on 6-26 April. See <https://ao750sj.ure.es/> for the award programme. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, paper cards will not be issued. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE The radio club APRA Wingles (Pas de Calais) celebrates France's second female astronaut Sophie Adenot (KJ5LTN) with the callsign **TM62SA** until June. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE The radio club Rambouillet F6KKR celebrates its 50th anniversary with the callsign **TM50KKR** from March until June (Saturdays only). (TNX DXNL)

G, ENGLAND **GB50PUNK** is a special callsign for David, G3SKA "and team" to use at various times during 2026 to celebrate 50 years of punk rock music. QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and eQSL; QSL via the bureau or direct. Updates will be posted to <https://www.facebook.com/61585208894891>. (TNX 425DX)

HA, HUNGARY The Hungarian Amateur Radio Society (MRASZ) will commemorate the 235th anniversary of the birth of Samuel Morse with nine special callsigns: **HA235MSE, HA235S, HA235A, HA235M, HA235U, HA235E, HA235L, HA235O** and **HA235R**. Look for activity on CW and SSB on 17-27 April. See <https://mrasz.org/award-rules> for the award. QSL via LoTW and Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Throughout 2026, ARI Fidenza (IQ4FE), with the patronage and historical supervision of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation, will use a series of special callsigns, each representing one of the "key figures who played a fundamental role in Marconi's personal and emotional, educational and cultural, academic, scientific and, finally, entrepreneurial development": **II4AMRC** (March), **II4JDVS** (April), **II4ROSA** (May), **II4PRCE** (June), **II4JAFL** (July), **II4KEMP** (August), **II4PAGE** (September), **II4NTTI** (October), **II4GCLB** (November), **II4SLRI** (December). QSL via LoTW, or direct only to IQ4FE. Complete information about the "Marconi Supporters" award: <http://www.arifidenza.it/> (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ488AM** (April), **LZ370TL** (May and June), **LZ67PP** (July and August), **LZ936BA** (September and October), **LZ911TD** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2026 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/> (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA **LZ75HSC** is the special callsign for Bulgarian HSC members to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy Highspeed Club (HSC) until the end of the year. QSL via LZ2JE. The club was founded in 1951 as a community within the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC). To date, membership has grown to include over 1,400 operators spanning every continent: <http://www.highspeedclub.org> (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, members of the HF Committee and the Board of Directors of the UBA, Belgium's IARU society, will be active as **0026WARD** throughout April. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM **0T26B** celebrates the law establishing National Railway Company of Belgium (SNCB) 100 years ago. A century before, Belgium opened the First railway line on the European continent in 1835 between Brussels and Mechelen, Brussels thus becoming the first capital city in the world accessible by rail. QSL via OR4K. (TNX DXNL)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The following stations are going to take part in the Dutch Radio Group Watertower Event (April 7 to 21): **PA01WT, PA02WT, PI26WT, PD01WT, PD02WT, PD03WT, PD04WT, PD06WT, PD07WT, PD09WT**. See also: <https://www.qrz.com/db/PD25DRG>. (TNX DXNL)

SP, POLAND Celebrating the 680th anniversary of the city of Bydgoszcz, members of the local radio club (SP2KKB) will be active as **HF680BY, HF680BD** and **HF680BG** on 1-30 April. See <https://radiodyplom.pl/ses/205> for the award. (TNX 425DX)

SP, POLAND The Dobrzycki Amateur Radio Club (SP3PDO) will use twelve special callsigns during 2026 to honour as many different Polish saints: **SP1040SSZ** (March), **SP1865JML** (April), **SP1920KW** (May), **SP1373JA** (June), **SP1183JO** (July), **SP1905MFK** (August), **SP1373AB** (September), **SP1550SK** (October), **SP1234KK** (November) and **SP1835JK** (December). QSLs via SP3PDO. See <https://radioawards.club/ses/155> for the certificates. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE **SZ40A** is the special callsign for the Radio Amateur Association of Western Greece (SZ1A) to celebrate "forty years of continuous presence, service, and contribution to amateur radio". Look for activity across multiple HF bands and modes from 1 March to 31 May. QSL via ON3UN. See <https://awards.sz1a.org> for the award programme. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE Members of the Hellenic Naval Amateur Radio Club (HNARC) will be active as **SZ465CG** from 19 March to 18 April. They will operate CW, FT8/FT4 and some SSB on 80-10

metres, as well as via QO-100. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/SZ465CG> (TNX 425DX)
Western Sahara with the callsign **S09S** until the end of May. QSL via OQRS, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)
UA, RUSSIA The following callsigns celebrate Gagarin's first flight into space 65 years ago:
R065A, R065C, R065L, R065N, R065O, R065S, R065X, R065Z, R065YG, R108YG, R1961YG, UE7YG, UE65YG, UE65YAG. QRV from April 10 to 26. QSL for all via RQ7L. (TNX DXNL)

UR, UKRAINE E080F draws attention to the 80th anniversary of the Palace of Children and Youth in Izmail. (TNX DXNL)

UR, UKRAINE EM100W and **EN100WLKK** are two special callsigns celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Lviv Shortwave Club, founded in 1926 as Lwowski Klub Krotkofalowcow (LKK). It was one of the largest European clubs before World War II. A commemorative certificate will be available, see <https://www.qrz.com/db/EM100W> for information. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE To celebrate his 50th anniversary in amateur radio, Nick, US8AR will be active throughout 2026 using the special callsign **EM50AR**. Electronic QSL cards can be downloaded from <https://em50ar.pp.ua> (TNX 425DX)

VE, CANADA VX9P points out the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Kapyong during April. QSL via VE9CF, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

VK, AUSTRALIA AX120AAC celebrates the 120th anniversary of the Australian Army Cadets (AAC) during 2026. (TNX DXNL)

YO, ROMANIA YR100RC is the special callsign celebrating the centenary of Radioclubul Craiova (18 March 1926), Romania's first amateur radio club. Look for activity between 16 March and 30 September. A certificate will be available on <https://hamlog.online/club/romania/1786/>. (TNX 425DX)

YU, SERBIA To commemorate the 170th anniversary of Nikola Tesla's birth, members of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU0SRS) are active as **YT170TESLA** until end 2026. QSL via LoTW; paper QSL cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

YU, SERBIA The special event callsign **YU65AEC** celebrates the 65th anniversary of the first radio club in Odzaci throughout 2026. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA The radio club Mihajlo Pupin YU7BCD in Pancevo celebrates its 45th anniversary during 2026 with the callsign **YU45MJA**. QSL via LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

ZL, NEW ZEALAND ZL100C is a special callsign celebrating the centenary of the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART), which was formed on 16 August 1926. The callsign is valid until 6 August 2026. QSL via the bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

ZL, NEW ZEALAND The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (NZART) was founded in Auckland in 1926. To celebrate their centenary, NZART members are encouraged to use the **ZM** prefix during the 2026 year. (TNX 425DX)